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I started out with the lipstick from my mom or a piece of clothing and it and it progressed over a lifetime to where I wanted to dress full time. And and for whatever reason that I would dress in the non dress, until I reached a point where I, I wanted to go further and to develop, you know, secondary female characteristics to go on hormones. But at this point, I'm fulfilled where I am, I don't feel the need to have me physically altered to be the woman always felt a was



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in, you know, that's something that, that I've gone back and forth on on this for longest amount of time. I started out saying originally, that I was not going to have the surgery than I thought it would. And I thought I wouldn't, then I thought it would. And I've gone round and round and round on this. But it wasn't until I had a scare. And I thought maybe that I had cancer, that it really came home to me the extent to which I really wanted the surgery. When I found myself coming home and saying it's not the cancer that scares me. It's the fact that I might die without having had a surgery. It bothers me, it's an inch. That's that's when I began to realize the extent to which I really did want it. If that's me, that's that's not everybody. And it shouldn't be.



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It's interesting, you should say that because before my surgery, I was so afraid to do anything. Because I was so afraid that if I did anything the least bit daring, or, you know, anything, that if I were to die, not having had surgery, that that would just be a tragedy beyond belief.



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You know what I was afraid of? danielda sounds really awful. But it's true. I was afraid that my parents would turn around and bury me with my male name. I swear to you, I mean that sincerely, that giant fear. Really? Yeah. With your parents, not to be nosy. But what can you do? If you told your parents yet? Are they aware of who you are? No, no, you still got plenty in front of you, girl.



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I mean, when I was even more afraid that I would die and be the unhappy person I was when I did not actively pursue what I felt. I mean, I lived a lifetime miserably hiding in a closet, behind all of this little barrier I created to, you know, the the mask of the male was so perfect that I could have lived there longer, but I was terribly unhappy. It manifests itself in in destructive ways. Time and time again.



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Yeah, I had I had coworkers that told me if we tried to put together a list of the people who we thought would have had surgery or transition on the job, you wouldn't have even appeared on a radar screen. That's how perfect, you know, the mask of masculinity.



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We hear about that overcompensation. A lot how many people if you're at law conference, how many people did you meet who are decorated fighter pilots or who had volunteered for the most dangerous possible duty because they had proved to themselves they were really men and they could do it? And transsexuals? Oh, really,



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the same thing for me was was the fact that I I did perfect it held the golden boy, all the things all the I did all the things except go out and kill animals. They're all the males do, you know, but that was that was part of me. I could never do. I always went on the hunt, but I would stay back at the cabin and cook, which was appropriate. And everybody thought that was a great thing because they didn't want to have to do it.



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Wow, I never was good at interesting, you know, creating a masculine persona. So I'd have no idea what you're telling me.



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Daniel, I can't even I can't even begin to imagine you as a guy. I mean, I honest to god, I can't.



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It was frightening. When I was in school, it's interesting though. The overcompensation thing because it's like here I was in high school, just flaming as all get out. Okay, you know, it's like it was like so obvious. It's like my closet was made of glass



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but it's like okay, I've never actually came out and told anybody anything, but like there was rumors flying around school that I was gonna have a six change for my graduation present. That's how obvious I was okay. But, but I refuse to be a stereotype even then. It's like even though I was like, majorly femme to the max wearing makeup and nail polish and the whole bit I still took woodshop not because I felt that it was the masculine thing to do, but because I wanted to, you know, they're making because I wasn't gonna let my femaleness be any more of a prison than my maleness was



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what that was. That's what we were talking about what it was, it's a prison that that we that I was in, I can only speak for myself, I was in a prison, I was in a prison that couldn't, there were so many things in my life that I wanted to do, that I would not allow myself to do. Because I had to keep up this image. Until one day I matured enough and said, To hell with it, I'm not going to dine happy. That's what there's got to be something more important in my life to do that.



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Jennifer, have you give us that'd be a transgender is or are you a crossdresser? Or have you



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interest for a year and a half



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good for you. I did that for a while I did that for a long time. And honestly, if up until recently, I probably still would have could describe myself that way. And I give you all the credit in the world for being able to do that. Because I don't think there's any reason to have surgery. Unless it's absolutely you just feel like there is no other choice.



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I feel feel now a fulfillment in myself. And it has to do with all that repression from the past that now I am hold, you know, there was an empty spot in my life that that only Jennifer could feel. And once I allowed her to have her space, in the closet, glass over the closet, yeah, you've seen, you've seen you've seen the closet. But when I did that, it freed me to be all the things that I could be, I was allowed to express who I was in the things that I do in exactly the way they were meant not, you know, hidden or colored in a masculine way to make it seem more masculine, my creativity, my painting, my art, music, whatever it was, it no longer has to be painted with a with a masculine brush.



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You know, what's ironic, is I've experienced sort of a reverse phenomenon. All my life, I was very resistant to any kind of masculine energy in myself, you know, or any kind of expectations of me for the most part. But, you know, the further along my process got, the more receptive I got to my masculine side,



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you know what that is that's becoming more of a whole person.



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Exactly, you know, because everybody is a mixture of both, you know, even me, like, I have my masculine side, and it's like, but I became more accepting of that, after I had, you know, become totally female. I wonder



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why why society feels the need to label behaviors, masculine or feminine? Where did that idea come to? Task doesn't have anything to do with your gender? It's something that simply needs to be done. What is gender got to do with it? And yet, you're absolutely right, the husband moves along, the wife makes the lemonade. Yeah.



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It's just a matter of establishing a system of contrasts, you know, so everything that fit within my in principle of myself, I accept it fully. And but why



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does it have to either or, I guess that's what I don't get to get about society. Why is it you have to? Why can't to be all of them? Or none of them? Well, I



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think it was getting that way. I think it's getting that way on an individual basis. I think that society at large still, pretty much rejects the idea that people are whole beings and not this like little section of life. But you know, that's one thing that this whole process has taught me is that I don't have to be half of a person. I can be a whole person.



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Wow, that's Wow, many people can



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we can be a whole person. And I was gonna say is long is we can divide things up into the, the masculine or feminine or right or wrong in that respect, then we can then there are people who can take an intransigent position that they're absolutely right. As long as you separate things clearly, black or white, then I can take a position against you. And that has to do and that is such a, you know, destructive mentality. Oh, yeah. permeates itself throughout.



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The only absolute truth is that there are no absolutes.



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And I believe that absolutely.



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But we are doing that we're we're changing the gender roles. What does it mean if a woman wants to work on a car



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that she's made, she can work on my car with you guys.



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Smart because that way she doesn't get ripped off by a mechanic.



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I'm about a guy who likes to do housework.



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Oh my god, it likes to What's his number? Or where do we find?





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But that's that kind of the cooking thing has always bothered me because it's like, cooking is a feminine thing. But why are most of the chefs man?



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You know, a lot of this plays itself out to me. That's interesting. You said that. In the s&m world, one of the most popular fantasies is something called maid service. This is where guys get dressed up like female maids, okay with their little hose, heels and their aprons and stuff and go and dust around the house and be like mermaids. And it's like, it's the only way they can give themselves permission to do female stuff. Ah, ha, no, no, it's not nutty at all. It makes perfect sense. If you think about what we know about gender. Yeah. Oh, absolutely. Yeah, it really does. It's the only way they can give themselves permission to be, quote, feminine. Yeah, that sad in a way that's very it really is, if the only way that you can do it, is to pretend that you're made what you know. And do it in the conscious. Why couldn't you do it? Yeah. Why? You know, what does that say about what they have learned about gender? That



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obviously means that they're not really operating consciously, that it's all still unconscious that they haven't really brought it out and said, Hey, it's okay for me to dust.



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And this is a very common fantasy in the s&m world with someone we were joking about it one night at one of the parties that I went to the maids were practically killing fighting each other. So they could go do the maid service first. There were so many of them there that were involved with that. And what it said that, you know, from coming, looking at from the gender point of view was, I found that really fascinating that this is the only way they could express their feminine selves.



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I think that it touches on what we were talking about a little earlier about, you know, you've been so trained in the masculine vein, in that case, that you can't let your feminine side come out. Everyone has both sides. Sure. And if you can't do it, they allow it to come out there. I always wanted Jennifer to come out my feminine side to come out because I felt that's who I was. But I couldn't allow it to happen. I could see myself falling easily into something like that if I had allowed it to go on. And it was it was, you know, it was giving me permission to be who already was. Let some authority figure of some kind there again, here's



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another case where gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people have things in common.



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Yep, exactly. Let's I want to talk about the transgender youth for a minute where we've all been talking about this kind of stuff. What kind of coping skills can we give to transgender teenagers, they can't do what we're doing. Now. If you're a trainee, if you're if you know, you're a transgendered person, and you're a junior in high school, you know better than come to school cross dressed.



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I didn't. I didn't know better.



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Well, yeah, but we expect that as your key word was most there.



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When I was just obnoxious. I was like, I'm gonna do what I won't do damage.



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And I get calls from these people. And they say, What am I going to do? How am I? How am I going to survive? And it's a good question. It what what can we what kind of coping skills can we give them?



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Well, I was talking to one of our members who happens to be about 22. And we were talking about that situation. And she dropped out of school about age 16. Because



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of, you know, the concept of mutual friend. Yes. Okay.



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And she dropped out, because, you know, she just couldn't deal with the situation with the pressure. But she's, she's right now. And I talked to her last week. And now she's going back to get her GED. And she said one of the first things she wants to impress upon all transgendered youth is to get that education. Yeah, carry? Because, because, you know, yeah, because, one,

for starters. The education is the key to what ever you plan to do later on. We know this is an expensive process exam. If you don't have a job that's paying you a decent wage, it's hard to go to



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college and not get SRS. If you're you



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can't I mean if you can't support yourself, which in all likelihood you will have to if you don't have familial support, you're going to have to you know, bring home the bacon and enough make into a pay your bills and be by you hormones by you surgeries by



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every other pig to make some more bacon. Yeah.



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And get Dr. Cole in other boat. Yeah. I've teased him about that. He knows I've teased him about



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that. Well, and also



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it's like, it's the same thing we tell gay and lesbians. You know, it's like, it's gonna get better. You have to live through it. That's the only thing we can all



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amounts to just perseverance



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and patience and laying the groundwork for your future, realizing that you do have a viable future, and not wasting time on quick fixes and not wasting time on behaviors that counterproductive, like, you know, it's like, okay, if you know you're transgendered, and you



know, that's where you're gonna go, and that's where you're going to be, don't waste time trying to do the football thing, you know, if you're male to female. Yeah, it's like, realize that, you know, there are things you can do now, that will make it easier for yourself later on, you know,



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survive when you know what you really are, and you can't express it.



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By having hope for the future by living for the future. That's what I did all the time I was growing up, it's like, okay, I know that when I'm in control of my own destiny fully, this is what I'm going to do. So in order to make a, b, and c happen, you know, it's like, I've got to lay the groundwork now. So that when the time does come, I'll be ready. And you know, I won't have to overcome a bunch of the stuff to go, Yeah, you know, I won't have to overcome all of the things like, you know, all the behaviors, the negative behavior, yeah, like building this whole male image and then blowing it away. Again, it's like, I figured, too much work.



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But the fact of the matter is, especially for the kids who may not be in a very tolerant or accepting environment at home, they definitely need to think about their future and getting out on their own. Exactly. They had to go out on their own first before they even think about trying to come out to their parents, if indeed it is that type of situation. I've seen way too many situations where they decided they just had to do this at age 14, or 15. And the parents were either extremely religious, or very conservative, very ultra traditional and could not handle this.



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Those are the street people that I talk to the Montrose who are sleeping out under the stoops and taking the street level hormones establish



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your own position first. And then when you are, or bargaining from a position of strength, then you can move forward. I think



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one of the things it hits us the same thing, it's one of the suggestions you would make to almost any youth is the education. Yeah, because your education is your key to everything, whether you're whether you're trans gendered or not. It without an education, there is only a

dead end street you're headed for. And I'm sorry, I was gonna say for myself, even, even though I've done all those things, I planned to do what I'm doing for two years before I took the action.



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Yeah, cuz, and, and especially as technologically advanced, as this world is becoming, education is going to be even more important. Yes, it is going to be more important. So, you know, I can understand the frustration that a lot of the kids are going through, you know, I you know, it's like, when you're young, I was also at that point, too. I used to say, well, when I'm 18, I'm gonna go ahead and have surgery then that, then that backed up to by the time I was in my freshman year in college, oh, by the time I hit 25, and then let's see, oh, after I have my 10 year reunion, and then you finally get to the point is like, Okay, I've had enough



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money, because I always kind of figured that I would have my surgery when I was about 26. And sure enough, I was 26.



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Yeah, it seems like that that period is what I call, you know, that where you hit the wall, you know, about like the wall with the Boston Marathon. I did.



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I did that one day, I loaded all of my clothes on into my car and took them down to the Salvation Army, you know, cry in my face off because I'm loading all of my mails, and whatnot. And I'm sure they thought it was nuts. But what I was crying about was thank God I'm finally doing this. It was this incredible relief. Yeah.



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When I tossed my male wardrobe. I kept it for about a year after I started transitioning, and I finally got tired of looking at it. I went to the dumpster in my apartment complex and went and then after the truck came about 3am Hit me so you could have at least put some of that on consignment Monica.



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The thing about being a transgender and this is what I seem to be hearing from people is they know the limits that they can get away with. Right You know, they know better than to go to school transgendered



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actually in some neighborhoods. Yeah. But the real problem



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is not so much I'm fine. I'm hearing from you. His problem is not so much at school, it's at home. Yes. And that's where many of them are really having the trouble coping, because they feel like when they're at home, they ought to be able to be themselves. And they know that if they are their parents will disown them. And so this pressure builds, and there's no release. Yeah, there's no release. And I honestly, I don't know what to tell them. That's the biggest frustration on what I do is



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don't for me, it was artistic expression. And I think that's a very good outlet, because it's so obvious looking back now, you know, all growing up, I was always drawing images of women. And it was a way of externalizing my femininity that I couldn't give full expression to, even though I was giving it plenty. But it was, you know, it was something some outlet that I had, you know, I had my Barbies, you know, although that's not an option for many I know, but it's like, I always had something that I could focus on to just take my mind off of, you know, how much progress I was not making, then I knew I would make that progress eventually. So I focused on art, I focused on, you know, reading, you know, making myself smarter, and a good person, because it's like, it's not only what gender Am I, you know, it's also well, what kind of person am I going to be in that gender? Oh, yeah. You know, it's yes, you got to think about, you know, well, I want to be a well rounded person. And, you know, that means being, you know, intelligent being, you know, artistic, you know, not being stereotyped. Yeah, and well read well, all those things. And also just, you know, like, being a good person, you know, and that's another thing, you know, there's one thing that you can do, even at any age is that you can establish caring relationships with people. And the more genuine you are in those relationships, the more likely they will carry over. Once you do make it plain, that you're going to transition.



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One of the things I tell the transgender, I tell transgendered kids is I over the years now I've met and a large number of transgendered sex workers. Almost all of them started, when they ended up either getting thrown out or left home, because they thought it'd be better if I leave, I can dress the way I want. And then they get out there and discover there was no way to support themselves. And the only thing they had left to sell was their bodies. In I always try to tell look, I'd love to tell you, I've got some easy answer here. I don't but the one thing I can tell you is don't do is don't do this. In and if you happen during that happens a lot. Well, Danielle



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hit a bit on it because in my own as a transgendered youth. And when I was growing up, what I

hit a hit on it, because in my own as a transgendered youth. And when I was growing up, what I did was I focused in on those things I could do, I mean, I would, I would go to my room, and I would do art, or I would write poetry, or I would write I use the talents that I had. And I would direct as those energies in those directions, because I could do that openly and still maintain this masculine mystique that I was trying to maintain once outside my bedroom. And today with with computers and air to the kids have a wider field to work with. And I did. I mean, we didn't even you know, in my when I was growing up, we only had one telephone in the whole house. Yeah,



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kind of made you kind of hit me too hard, too. Well, not quite.



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Although I did a lot of art and still do. One of the things I focused on was just the knowledge aspect of it. Last time I was on, Sara mentioned something. There's this wonderful thing called the library. And I always read actually,



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pages actually,



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Richard just brought that up.



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I've always read anything I get my hands on concerning this. The very first thing I ever saw regarding this was an article in the late limited Houston Post in the early 70s, about transsexual. I won't mention her name, because I don't know if she's really going back in the closet. But I mean, just seeing that. That was the first thing that said, Okay, there's someone else. Then along came Renee Richards, and then eventually, once I started being able to find some better, some more, I guess, clinical books on the subject. I just, I just I would just read up on it. And I realized, okay, in my my family situation and wanting to go to college and probably having to pay for it myself. I ain't gonna be able to do this for a couple of years. Now of course There's some other things that happened, I went to almost going off the deep end with booze and some other annoyances, but I pulled out of it. And it took me a couple of years longer than I'd originally planned. But here I am. It's just a matter of knowledge is one of the best things you can have. Without that you ain't going



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well in knowledqe, too. If you're if you're in that situation as a transgender, one of the I can

remember reading some of the books I'd read, and I'd read about women. I read about, I read about makeup, and I read about etiquette. And you know, in the etiquette book, it tells what a male should do, but also does what a female should do. And granted, some of those things may be antiquated now, but back then it gave me a handle on where I was going, it was now that's fine, how it was a place where I knew I was, I want to go there someday. But I better get the roadmap. Now, one of the things



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I tried that's, that's, I like that line. Yes.



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One of the things I tell transgendered kids is allow yourself to fail. The last meeting, we had Dr. Cole's, I discovered that a person that I've known for quite a long time, after two years of transition, decided it was not for her, and she went back to being a guy. And I tried to tell the transgender kids, you know, sometimes this looks easier than it is. And it looks more appealing than it is. I've always I joke about the difference between a crossdresser and a transgendered or a transsexual is when it stops being fun, when you have to get up at six o'clock every morning to put on your makeup for work. And that's when the reality of what you're doing starts to come home to you, you know, and I tried to truck drivers



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trying to hit on you. Yeah.



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I try to tell the transgendered kids, you know, this looks like it could be great fun in some parts of it are, but, you know, it's the grass is not always greener, either have some patience, and I know that's hard when you're a teenager.



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Yeah, it's life. You know, and there's good and bad, and ups and downs and all of life, you know, and being transgendered, or transsexual, or gay or lesbian, or just, what's the term normal, if you could call that anybody being that way. It's just life, there's, there's all things that are gonna be in, and I go back to because I can't harp on it enough, is that if you're educated and you have the tools to provide for yourself, then you have the ability to be who you want to be.



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If you're the master of your own destiny, then you are the master of your own destiny.



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That's the reason I'm going to law school is because I know I'm gonna have to provide for myself. And I mean, being having a law degree being lawyers and an automatic ticket to anything other than a lot of student loan debt. It is a way that I can provide for myself better than I was doing. When I was just trying to make it in a regular nine to five job depending on other people to give me a job. I can make work for myself.



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Okay, totally agree with you in



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in a more general outlook, let's say, Forget about transgenderism. Forget about gay lesbian. Forget about that. How did you change as a person? Your general outlook on life? From ages 18 to 2223?



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Everyone or anyone between? Yeah, anyone? Well, just you're generally



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cynical.



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How did you change,



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I would say that I became less cynical that I became more open. And just, I guess more comfortable with myself. As time went on



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the opposite direction,



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I became more rigid,



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more cynical, much more antisocial.



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18 to 22 is probably the worst period of my life. It's 28 to 32 that has been the best. Much happier person.



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I was still in college at the time. So and I was still frustrated dealing with it. Because as a matter of fact, I flunked out my first semester dealing trying to deal with



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it. Okay, I guess I guess my my point was from teenager to adult, how did your outlook on life changed not not being transgendered at all just your way of looking at the world, your way of feeling about yourself?



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There's that realization, realization that oh, wait an adult. I have to like really do this. It's like, Oh, my God, all these responsibilities.



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The day I became a parent was the day I actually started worrying. Okay, yeah, the day I became a parent was the day I realized I had to become an adult. Oh, and it was depressing to tell you the truth.



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It did happen, but it doesn't your outlook changes.



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Yeah, but I'm not sure that I could separate being transgendered out of that, because I'm a totally different person. And I agree with what y'all were saying in the studio. People who know me now will say you're so much happier. Yeah. Yeah.

me now will say, you're so much happier. Tean. Tean.



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Well, that's when you know you're doing something right. You know, if your life goes from bad to worse, by transitioning, something's not right. You're doing



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something wrong. Yeah, we've only got we've only got a few minutes left, before we go. Before us. Before we head out here. I want to ask everybody, if you could have if you could say one thing to the audience out there right now, you could say one thing to them about what it is that you're doing that you think they need to know? What would it be? Always keep your goal in sight and maintain a positive outlook. Okay.



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Be realistic. Don't Don't try to do too much too quick.



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Yeah. Be perseverant. Be patient. But always keep that goal in mind. And don't ever take your eyes off of it. Even if you have to momentarily look away, you can always go back to it and still pursue it.



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Okay, Jennifer,



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have a plan. Don't just help go off helter skelter in what you're doing. If you, if you have a goal, and you set it, the only way to get there is to have a plan to get there, lay the ground map has to be laid out on how you're going to get from point A to point B. If you have that, then you can keep on the right track. And he and that's what I'm doing.



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And I would add to that and come up with an alternative if a beans oops, I hit a pothole at sea. Okay, now what's my, what's my alternate plan to and the other thing I'd probably like to add on that is, you know, try to keep a positive, you know, try to keep a positive outlook and frame of mind, don't let anybody tell you, you





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are ashamed to show



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guilt. You know, keep your in other words done. Think of a documentary that was a couple of years ago about the Civil Rights Movement, keep your eye on the prize.



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Realize that it's okay to be who you are.



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It is okay.



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In fact, that's what you're here for.



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One thing I heard one time and I try to remember that other people's opinion of you is none of your business.



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My favorite thing is this another person's opinion and 50 cents. We'll get you coffee at McDonald's. I want to give the phone number for cat. We've been talking. You've been listening to this and I think this has been fabulous radios. Yeah, I really do. I want to give you the phone number for the Texas sociation for transsexual support, their voicemail is it Area code 713-827-5913. Let me give it to you one more time. It's Area code 713-827-5913. That's voicemail 24 hours a day, leave a message and they will either call you back or send you information. And I want to stress to you that the folks that tasks are discreet, okay. You don't know we need to worry about leaving the information. They're all transgender or transsexual themselves. And they know there'll be careful.



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Then one more phone number, please. The Gulf Coast transgender community. Yes, their phone number is area code 713780 G C. Tec, which works out 242 a 27804282.



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There we go. There we go. This has been this has been I think, just terrific radio. If for those who might be out there and they said well, you know, I've seen the Maury Povich and I've seen Geraldo and, gee, these people didn't sound like I expected. Congratulations. You have just met some genuine transgendered people. We're not like you expect. That's the fun of what we do. Yeah, I think that's the joy of it. You have a little piece of music you want to go to had a great time tonight. This has been fabulous. Yeah. This has been one of those shows that I know I'm going to keep on the cassette because this is gonna be too good blues.



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I don't want to go to the music yet. Okay. Let's have a wrap up.



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Okay. One of the things that I that I wanted to make sure that the audience under understood tonight, if there's anything that you should have heard from from us tonight is that being transgendered is not a choice. I don't think any of us would have chosen this path. And yet I think what you've also heard from people tonight is a hell of a lot of courage. Yes.



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And then self-fulfillment,



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it's interesting that you should say that it's not a choice, because I think that in retrospect, now that I've gotten past the finish line, so to speak, I would have chosen it. Because I think it's made me a better person than I would have been otherwise.



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So now, it's interesting that Stephen would have said, Stephen would have said basically same thing that, that and I agree with him this has been it's been a struggle. I've attempted suicide twice. I've managed to survive it. What an adventure. This has been. Yeah, you know, if I died tomorrow, I would be able to say, it may have been too soon. But honey, I've forgotten milked it for every drop of hat.



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And it's like, boring lives, we ain't got.



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And I also want to stress we've been talking about transgendered youth. But there are a lot of older people out there that may be transgendered, and have been afraid all of their lives, to be who they really are.



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We had a guest on the show one time who was she was 50. Yes, 5750. And she was just 15 Going in just going in for transition and decided to go for her sex change operation. We also



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have someone right here in the studio, who was 54.



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One of my girlfriend's never too late. She is she just had her 52nd birthday about two months ago. And she's transitioning.



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I would think that actually being older is, in some ways is a lot tougher. I would



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I would think that facade a long time.



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Yeah. It's a lot tougher to lose it. Yeah. I think that's a whole lot tougher.



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On the other side of that is they've had that facade so long that it starts wearing very thin after too many years.



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But also, I



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mean, age aside, I mean, you never know how much time you have left. So it doesn't matter what age you are, you know, think about the rest of your life.



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If there's anything I would hope the audience would have heard from all this tonight, is I hope that they will have some new respect for transgendered people. Because I think what they've heard tonight is that the transgender people, they they think clearly, they know what their life is about. They've had to work real hard to get there. You better take



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a long hard look at



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ourselves. These folks would make good employees. They would they make good sons, good daughters. And I would hope that what the audience has heard tonight is that they're not the lightweights. They've been made out to be in television give us a chance.



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A few pounds



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listening to after hours queer radio with attitude right here on KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station on Julie Carper. Sara De Palma has been with with us tonight with a gaggle a cast



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of 100 Just remember the motto of our program when decorum becomes repression, the only dignity free people have is to speak out.



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which may be found disturbing and may not be suitable for your shelly nose little brat who probably cusses like a sailor behind your back anyway. Parental discretion is advised. No, our feature presentation. Right. I'm kicking off with the questions now. The first one is quite a personal one. It was my personal What is your favorite color?



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What is your favorite color?



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Vodka musisz. Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. I am eagerly cutting and I'm green. Well, Mr. Green, it appears that we have a conflict of financial interest to settle up to the extent that I owe you 10 American dollar bills. But as luck would have it, I only seem to have a 20 say, Mr. Green. But do you happen to have changed for 20? That is to say, do you have 210s for this \$20 bill? Yes, I do. Find then I'll give you the 20 You'll give me the 210s and we'll call it even actually, we've just exchanged equal amounts of money you still only 10



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But isn't that a \$20 bill in your hand? Yes. And how much did I owe you? 10 Well, it looks to me like you owe me \$10 Please give me my money just



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Mr. Green guests were ready to on the way to the theater this evening. Who? Rhonda the former professional hunchback Oh, did she get her back straightened? No, she's just out of work. So we're back isn't better than no. Work that's terrible



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I hear you manage a baseball team. No. I'm a vaudevillian. Do you mind if I played this tape? Are you kidding? Oh wonderful oh I love Oh yes. Oh me too. Yes yes



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I love this franchise



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right sit right down over here. I have got a surprise 123 And now flip a dial instant entertainment. And you're comfortable with KPFT extraneous music blew my mind no, you're in Texas. Way out. Far out man. What? A trip



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as an intellectual vibration, smack dab in the middle of spectrum. Green can be a problem.